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BASEBALL NOTES.

A New York dreamer has it that Kelley, Huggins, and a twister are to be traded to New York for Brenahan, Gilbert, and McGinn.

Mr. Dovey asks Boston fans not to expect him to win a pennant in 1907. The new baseball boss is needlessly alarmed.

St. Louis critics are hailing Ollie Pickering as the missing link between the Browns and next year's American League pennant.

Scrappy Jack Doyle, one of the greatest and headiest players who ever lived, is at his home in Elkhart, Ind., must be completely restored to health, and looks it.

Christy Mathewson has returned to New York from a hunting trip in Michigan. He claims to be completely restored to health, and looks it.

Barney Dreyfus is said to be a silent partner in the new arrangement at Boston. If that is the case, look for some transfers from Pittsburgh.

Leon Criger, the great Boston backstop, is at his home in Elkhart, Ind., must be completely restored to health, and looks it.

Frank Donahue would rather register at his hotel in Philadelphia than register at the hotel in Detroit next summer. That's why he resigned.

Even mighty Tajoide does not escape an occasional punning. A Cleveland writer says that the king should take a little advice from his players once in a while.

The Indianapolis Club is angling for "Glen" Jackson, the Cleveland outfielder, who is said to be slated for initiation into the Order of the Tin Can in the spring.

Baseball presidents are giving out tales of interviews and con on an earlier opening of the ball season. Then they will decide at their meeting to have the season as long as in past years.

"Dusty" Miller, the ex-Red, is getting a lot of advertising for his Memphis jag emporium by exhibiting a photo of one of the world's championship games—"the largest baseball photo ever taken."

The new owners of the Boston National League Club are willing to spend some money to strengthen their team, but they are now stumped by the fact that there are no players to be had. Valuable players are all corrupted and not easy to pick up.

John I. Taylor, the owner of the Boston American League Club, knows that he has a hard task ahead of him next year to yet his team back to the top. He will be satisfied if the players make a showing which will get them near the first division.

Charley Murphy fears a challenge from Count Bonney, who received an offer from the Cub president to act as valet for his players next season. As Murphy will be the challenged party, he has a right to name the weapons, which will probably be cream puffs.

John T. Brush has a wide-awake press agent, who landed him the job of auctioneer for the sale of tickets for a theatrical benefit. Brush's fellow-knuckers-down were Lillian Russell, Marie Dressler, and Irene Bentley, and they do say that with this formidable opposition Brush sold only one \$5 seat. The purchaser was Fred Knowles.

Frank Farrell, owner of the New York American League Club, will attend the American League meeting at Chicago this week, as the representative of his organization. Mr. Farrell intimates that some deals will be made which will help the New York team, but gives the impression that New York is not over-anxious to secure Collins. It is doubtful whether he would hitch well with Griffith, and, in addition to that, his leg is none too strong.

It was stated in Chicago that an effort would be made to patch up the difference of opinion which exists between Charles Comiskey and Ban Johnson, president of the American League. When Comiskey heard of this, he sent word to the peace-makers that they were laboring in vain, as under no consideration would he ever recognize Johnson except his official capacity as president of the baseball organization with which he is connected.

TRI-STATE MEETING OFF.

Outlaws Decide to Hold Conference at a Later Date.

York, Pa., Dec. 9.—There will be no meeting of the Tri-State Association at Harrisburg on Monday night, as scheduled. Manager Hoecker, of the York Athletic Association, announced to-night that the meeting will not be held until after the meeting of the National League, which meets at New York on Tuesday.

The meeting has been postponed so as to give members of the national committee a chance to be present, during which the question of protection will be definitely settled. Members of the Tri-State Association will be present at the New York meeting.

Folwell Pennys's New Captain.

Philadelphia, Dec. 9.—Bob Folwell, of Philadelphia, was last evening elected captain of the Pennsylvania football eleven for 1907, after Eddie Greene had been unanimously tendered the honor of doing the work over again and had refused.

Manager Clarke Will Not Retire.

Winfield, Kans., Dec. 9.—Fred C. Clarke, manager of the Pittsburg Baseball Club of the National League, denied at his home to-day that he intends to retire from baseball.

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will be received at Kerner's Pharmacy, Ninth and S. sts. n.w., and promptly forwarded to the main office.

DUTCHER IS CAPTAIN

Full Back the Georgetown Leader for 1907.

McLAUGHLIN ALSO IN RACE

Spirited Contest for Position at the Meeting of 1906 Eleven Yesterday.

Edmund Fitzgerald, Jr., Advanced to Manager, and Peter Dolin Is Elected Assistant-Probable Year.

The semi-annual meeting of the athletic association of Georgetown University was held yesterday in Gaston Hall for the purpose of electing the manager, assistant manager, and captain of the football team for 1907.

Former Assistant Manager Edmund Fitzgerald, Jr., of Troy, N. Y., succeeded Thomas A. McCann as manager, and Peter Dolin, of Hartford, Conn., was elected to succeed Fitzgerald. The election of a captain proved the closest that has ever been held at the Blue and Gray institution, and resulted in the choice of Full Back Dutcher after much discussion.

Half Back McLaughlin ran the new captain a close race for the leadership, and was the only other candidate.

Capt. Dutcher came from Milwaukee, Wis., and is in his third year at the Georgetown Law School. He was regarded as one of the best men on this year's Blue and Gray eleven, and, although he had strong competition for the election, his selection was received in the right sort of college spirit by his friendly opponents.

Another important election was that of the law department of the university on the athletic executive committee.

Held Two Sessions.

Because of the amount of business to be transacted it was necessary to have two sessions, morning and evening. At the first, the manager and assistant managers of the football team were chosen, and before proceeding with the election of a captain it was decided to vote on a motion made by ex-Capt. Boocock to the effect that the Georgetown-Virginia game be a "G" game; that is, that the men who play in that contest be given the "varsity" letter. A small majority was in favor of this, and the rule that effect adopted. This allowed four more men to wear the "G" than were given that privilege at a meeting of the executive committee last week. These men are Grogan, Devine, Buckley, and Kane. This makes seventeen men who have won the right to wear the letter on the gridiron this fall.

This ruling, the men just mentioned a vote in the election of a football captain, and it was practically their votes that elected Dutcher, as they held the balance of power.

There was some talk, before the meeting was called to order by President John McH. Stuart, as to whether or not the George Washington game should be a "G" game, but it was settled out of the meeting that playing in this contest would not give the men a right to wear the initial, and those who had made the suggestion did not bring it up formally.

Team Cleared \$2,500.

Ex-Manager McCann, in a partial report of the financial resources, stated that there was a net profit approximating \$2,500 for the season. As has been the rule in previous years, most of this will be turned over to the crew for the purpose of repairing damages sustained to the boat and paraphernalia when the house was submerged in the Potomac last summer.

The subject of formally adopting a graduate system of coaching was brought up by F. M. Foy, but was lost by a large majority.

The only other matter of importance which was discussed at the meeting was that regarding the attitude the association should hold toward basketball, which at this time is being boycotted at Georgetown. It was decided that basketball from now on will be recognized as a secondary sport and the executive committee was empowered to choose a manager in a few years who will begin correspondence with local and out-of-town teams for a schedule of games. In connection with this, it was decided, further, that for the remainder of the present season, the team selected by Physical Director Maurice A. Joyce to represent Georgetown will play all its games at home as the sport is not on a schedule of games away from the city.

VEEDER SEEKS CAPTAINCY.

Yale Half Back Opposing Bigelow and Jones for Football Leader.

New Haven, Dec. 9.—The election of a captain for the Yale varsity football eleven next season was not held last night. It was given out that it will take place on Monday night next. Indications point toward a hot fight for the captaincy.

The election was to have been held last evening, and the recognized candidates were T. A. D. Jones, '08, and L. H. Bigelow, '08, academic, but the sudden decision of Paul Veeder, the star punter and half back of the team during the season just closed, to return to college another year, has changed the situation entirely, and he now comes forth as a formidable candidate for the captaincy from Sheffield Scientific School.

The number of men who played in the election of a captain was the largest that has ever been held at the college, and, therefore, have the right to vote, is seventeen. Of these eight are academic men, eight scientific students, and one man is from the medical school.

DUFFEY LOSES HIS SUIT.

Court Refuses to Make A. A. U. Re-instate Sprinter's Record.

New York, Dec. 9.—The Appellate Division yesterday handed down a decision in the case of Arthur Duffey, the former Georgetown sprinter, against James E. Sullivan, of the Amateur Athletic Union, sustaining the decision of the lower court, which held that Duffey did not show that he had any right of action against the Amateur Athletic Union to compel it to reinstate his alleged records. No opinion was written, the case having been decided upon the question of the court below. Permission is granted to the plaintiff to amend his complaint upon the payment of the costs of the action; but it is unlikely that he will take advantage of this privilege, and it is probably the end of the litigation.

Bartow S. Weeks, chairman of the Amateur Athletic Union legislative committee, represented James E. Sullivan and the Amateur Athletic Union.

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RULES COMMITTEE TO MEET.

Will Convene in New York December 22 to Consider Changes to Code.

The first meeting of the football rules committee this year will be held Saturday, December 22, in New York, for the purpose of changing the rules to suit next season's play. According to a statement made by Prof. J. B. Hays, Princeton's athletic director and the university's representative on the football rules committee, and by several other members of the same committee, there will be no radical changes made this year, the only alterations being a few minor ones. The most important of them will probably be a redistribution of the duties of the referee, two umpires, and linesmen.

At present the rules committee consists of fourteen members, seven of whom were elected last year as representatives of the National Athletic Association of Colleges. Their term, however, expires on January 1, 1907, and it is understood that a meeting of this association has been called by its president, Capt. Pierce, of West Point, for some time during the latter part of December, at which meeting these vacancies may be filled. It is the wish of the old rules committee that the men may be re-appointed. They are James A. Babbitt, of Haverford College; Charles D. Daly, of West Point; Homer Curtis, representative of the Southern college; E. J. Hall, of Dartmouth; James T. Lewis, of the University of Nebraska; C. W. Savage, of Oberlin, and H. L. Williams, of the University of Minnesota.

NO BID FOR BROOKLYN STARS

New York Never Made an Offer for Jordan and Lumley.

Owners of Both Clubs Emphatically Deny Story that Has Been Going the Rounds of Fandom.

New York, Dec. 9.—Emphatic denial was given both by the New York National League Club and the Brooklyn Club yesterday to the repeatedly published yarn that New York had offered \$25,000 for the services of Jordan and Lumley, two Brooklyn players, and that the Brooklyn management was on the point of accepting the sum and permitting the men to join the Giants.

The New York management denied flatly that an offer of any sum from one New York club to the other had been made for either player. The Brooklyn owners just as emphatically asserted that no offer had been received from the New York club, and in addition to that stated point-blank that New York could not have either player at any price.

"I hope this will settle this story for good and all," said Charles H. Ebbets, the president of the Brooklyn club. "I am positive that it has been circulated with no other motive than to try to injure us with our patrons in Brooklyn. Had those who have been foremost in publishing the story broadcast ever have done the slightest thing to help us, they would have made inquiry of a Brooklyn official as to whether New York had offered such a large sum for two players, and we would have accepted it, we could quickly have given up the lot."

ARMY-NAVY BASEBALL GAME.

Annual Contest to Be Played at West Point May 25.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 9.—The athletic officials of the Military and Naval academies have selected May 25 as the date for the annual baseball contest between the two institutions. The game will be played at West Point, and according to the agreement, the contests take place alternately at West Point and Annapolis, and last season's game was played here.

It will be the sixth game since the series was begun. Army, Navy, and West Point of the previous games. There is something of a hoodoo connected with the annual contests, as neither team has succeeded in winning a game on its own grounds.

Among the big teams that the middies will meet next season are Yale, Harvard, and Cornell, and probably Carlisle Indians. The University of Georgia will play here for the first time. Navy's schedule will include about fifteen games, and the one with West Point will close the season.

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This is one of the daintiest cars in London. It has most graceful curves and lines, such as are seldom seen on automobiles. The coloring is white, picked out with green.

Miss Levitt has had plenty of narrow escapes. At Blackpool, for instance, during the speed trials, two dogs, three children, and, finally, three more dogs came on the track and tried to cross over. Miss Levitt spoiled her trials, but managed with splendid work to save the children.

Columbia and Harvard May Row.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 9.—Jimmy Rice, coach of the Columbia College rowing department, is here visiting old friends. He is highly pleased with the material he found at Columbia, and expects to develop a good crew for next season from the Freshman squad. He spoke highly of the manner in which his varsity candidates have been taking hold, and hopes to be able to measure blades in a match race with Harvard next spring.

Will Not Defy Gov. Folk.

Kansas City, Dec. 9.—The directors of the Kansas City Jockey Club have decided not to attempt to hold a race meeting at the Elm Ridge race track next spring because of the possible declarations of Gov. Folk and Attorney General Hadley that a race meeting would be stopped under the law.

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